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SUBJECT: PRC ENDORSES KIM IL- SUNG' S FIVE POINTS FOR PEACEFUL
REUNIFICATION

SUMMARY: THE PRC HAS ENDORSED KIM IL- SUNG' S FIVE POINTS FOR
PEACEFUL REUNIFICATION BUT RETAINED FLEXIBILITY. NCNA CARRIED
THE FULL TEXT OF KIM' S JUNE 23 PROPOSAL AND DEVOTED MOST OF ITS
ANNUAL EDITORIAL ON THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE KOREAN WAR TO THE
FIVE POINTS. PREMIER CHOU EN- LAI ADDED HIS PERSONAL ENDORSEMENT
THROUGH A BANQUET TOAST JUNE 24. END SUMMARY.

1. NCNA ON JUNE 24 CARRIED THE FULL TEXT OF DPRK PREMIER KIM
IL- SUNG' S JUNE 23 FIVE- POINT PROPOSAL FOR PEACEFUL REUNIFICATION
OF KOREA. THE FOLLOWING DAY, NCNA REPORTED A PRESS CONFERENCE BY
THE DPRK AMBASSADOR TO PEKING IN WHICH HE DEMANDED WITHDRAWAL OF
US TROOPS FROM SOUTH KOREA, DISSOLUTION OF UNCURK, AND
ABANDONMENT
BY " JAPANESE MILITARISTS" OF THEIR HOSTILE ATTITUDE TOWARD THE
DPRK. THESE POINTS WERE COVERED IN KIM ' S STATEMENT BUT BURIED AT
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THE END OF THE TEXT. AS AN INDICATION OF ADDED OFFICIAL APPROVAL, NCNA POINTED OUT THAT THE PRC MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION WAS PRESENT DURING THE AMBASSADOR 'S CONFERENCE.

2. MOST SIGNIFICANTLY, COU EN- LAI UTILIZED THE JUNE 24 BANQUET HONORING THE VISITING MALIAN PRESIDENT TO PRAISE KIM'S NEW INITIATIVE AS A " REFLECTION OF THE STRONG DESIRE OF ALL KOREAN PEOPLE FOR REUNIFICATION," EXPRESSED HIS " WARM WELCOME" FOR THE STATEMENT, AND PROMISED THE PRC'S " FIRM SUPPORT".

3. ANOTHER MAJOR PRC COMMENT CAME IN THE ANNUAL " PEOPLE'S DAILY" JUNE 25 EDITORIAL COMMEMORATING THE START OF KOREAN WAR. SIMILAR TO LAST YEAR'S EDITORIAL, A MAJOR PORTION OF THE ARTICLE WAS DEVOTED TO THE DPRK'S ATTEMPTS AT PEACEFUL REUNIFICATION. THERE WAS A LONG PARAGRAPH OUTLINING KIM'S LATEST PROPOSALS. THE EDITORIAL SAID THAT KIM'S " FIVE PROPOSITIONS," INCLUDING REJECTION OF TWO KOREAS IN THE UN, " POINT OUT CLEARLY THE CORRECT WAY" FOR PEACEFUL REUNIFICATION. THIS PARTICULAR EXPRESSION OF SUPPORT IS INTENDED IN THE CHINESE LEXICON TO LEAVE ROOM FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF OTHER POSSIBILITIES. THE EDITORIAL ALSO AVOIDED CONDEMNATION OF PRESENT US POLICY IN KOREA.
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